

Indian lake Shores Fire District Council Meeting February 1, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:06

Members present: President Pat J. Giarrusso, Karla Steele, Bob Persson, Stu Westin, John Mycroft, Hiro Uchida, Jean Larson, Jane Bessette, Jim Eastwood, Kathi Spangler, Pat L.Giarrusso(secretary), Kevin Donohue (vice-president) and Jill Forman

Introduction of new member, John Mycroft

Secretary's report was read and a motion was made by Stu Westin to accept. Motion was seconded and passed.

Old Business

The agenda and meeting date/time are being posted on Secretary of State website, as well as being sent to council members.

Rules and regulations were reviewed; some suggestions and/or corrections were made.

A question was raised about fire regulations – what do you need a permit for, and what constitutes a reason to call the fire department.

Discussion ensued.

Property issues:

Erik Slader: President Giarrusso has checked with Jeff O'Hara (building inspector) and Steve Alfred (town manager); Erik Slader will be in court on February 17. He has been found guilty of running a business on his property, selling wood. He may also be found in contempt for not complying with a directive to stop.

Peter Alling has asked for, and been granted, a time extension on cleaning up his property.

Jim Eastwood is still looking into prices for materials to repair the

hand railings on the north beach dock. He is searching for the best, most long lasting materials at the best price.

Rafts on each dock were discussed.

By-laws. Stu Westin proposed a potential change to the by-laws concerning the dangers of gas cans being left on the common areas for long periods of time. After discussion, it was decided that the proposal will be written up and presented at the next annual meeting.

Tree removal work has been completed on common areas.

2 boats are left at the beach on the south plat. There is also a boat sunken in the shallow water. The boats on the beach will be removed by John Mycroft and Jim Eastwood.

New Business:

Neighborhood watch is tabled until the next meeting

New property issues:

President Giarrusso reported receiving questions from neighbors regarding if the council is planning to replace trees. Several trees had to be removed from ILSFD property at the south beach due to rot. Jane Bessestte offered some trees that have self-seeded. It was suggested that we consider accepting donations of young trees from others, if they are appropriate for the area.

We have received a letter from the Department of Environmental Management that the lake is showing signs of having growths of floating water hyacinths, which are invasive and destructive. A motion was made by Stu Westin, seconded by Kevin Donohue and passed to provide DEM with a mailing list which they will use to contact property owners.

Officer issues

Emmy Uchida has volunteered to be our tax assessor. Stu Westin made a motion to appoint her as such; the motion was seconded by Jill Forman and passed. Another motion was made to pay her for all her work in 2011. The motion was seconded by Jean Larson and passed. A discussion ensued as to the amounts of stipends paid to each of the officers.

A property owner has offered to create an Indian Lake Shores email newsletter.

Treasurer's Report was read.

2 property owners are in arrears for more than 2 years. They will be sent letters, and a member will look into placing a lien on the one property that is in foreclosure. Stu Westin made a motion to accept the treasurer's report; the motion was seconded by Jim Eastwood and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40. Next meeting is April 25

Respectfully submitted,

Pat L. Giarrusso

Secretary, Indian Lake Shores Fire District Council